



# The Shorelines

**December  
2021**

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**Managers Message:** I attended the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation (GPSIF) meeting on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. The GPSIF has a wonderful group of committed volunteers, whose sole purpose is to enhance the appearance of the Village and the quality of life for its residents and guests.

Our municipal park is the “gem” of our community and one of the key reasons we attract new families to our community. At the latest GPSIF meeting, I presented a list of various projects that need attention to keep our park and facilities both attractive and functional. This GPSIF group was excited about assisting where possible. The foundation recently finished the new pickleball court project at the park, another wonderful amenity for our residents.

What I was surprised to learn, is that only about 15% of the community is involved in the GPSIF. With the many projects and endeavors we would like to take on, the foundation could use everyone’s help. You should have recently received a newsletter with membership information from the foundation. I would encourage all our residents to join the GPSIF and come to the meetings to see what your fellow residents are accomplishing. You can also go to the GPSIF website ([www.gpsif.org](http://www.gpsif.org)) for more information. Finally, for those who are looking to make a tax- deductible contribution prior to the end of the year, one organization that will directly affect you is a gift to the GPSIF. Another avenue for giving is our city. You can contact me directly if you have an interest in making a tax-deductible donation directly to the city for one of the many projects we have on our list.

I hope that you and your families have a happy and safe holiday season. Merry Christmas!!

Steve Poloni  
City Manager

**Winter Tax Bills were recently mailed and are payable without penalty through  
February 15, 2022 (With 2/15/22 Post Office Postmark)  
Delinquent taxes will be turned over to the county 3/1/22**





# DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

- 1 Request/Plans for 12/21 Planning Commission must be submitted by this date
- 4 1:00 PM Weather Siren Test
- 7 10:00 AM Finance Committee Meeting via zoom  
7:00 PM Harbor Committee Meeting via zoom
- 8 7:00 PM Special Council Meeting via zoom
- 10 Last day for leaf pick up (extended from 12/3)
- 14 12:00 PM Council Meeting  
1:00 PM Volunteer Luncheon
- 15 9:00 AM Board Of Review (corrections only)  
Marina Well Deposits due
- 21 9:00 AM Planning Commission Meeting
- 22 Wednesday's & Thursday's household rubbish collection  
Recycling on schedule
- 23 Administration, Court and DPW CLOSED  
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- 24 Christmas Eve—Administration, Court and DPW CLOSED
- 29 Wednesday's & Thursday's household rubbish collection  
Recycling on schedule
- 30 Administration, Court and DPW CLOSED  
Recycling on Schedule
- 31 New Year's Eve—Administration, Court, and DPW CLOSED

**For up to date village information please visit the Grosse Pointe Shores website,  
[www.gpshoresmi.gov](http://www.gpshoresmi.gov)**



# YEAR END RUBBISH PICK UP SCHEDULES AND OFFICE CLOSURE DATES



## DECEMBER HOLIDAY RUBBISH SCHEDULE

### Wednesday- December 22nd

Wednesday's & Thursday's household rubbish collection  
Recycling on schedule

### Thursday -December 23rd

DPW, Administration Offices and Court CLOSED  
No collection of household rubbish  
Recycling on schedule

### Friday -December 24th

DPW, Administration Offices and Court CLOSED  
No collection of household rubbish

### Wednesday- December 29th

Wednesday's & Thursday's household rubbish collection  
Recycling on schedule

### Thursday- December 30th

DPW, Administration Offices and Court CLOSED  
No collection of household rubbish  
Recycling on schedule

### Friday—December 31st

DPW, Administration Offices and Court CLOSED  
No collection of household rubbish





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November 30, 2021

## News Release

### Text to 9-1-1 Service Launches in Grosse Pointe Shores

**- Call when you can; Text when you can't. -**

**Grosse Pointe Shores, Mich.** — Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department and Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC (PFN) announce that Grosse Pointe Shores residents will have access to emergency text messages from wireless devices to 9-1-1. Beginning Tuesday November 30, 2021, individuals anywhere in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods will be able to send a text message to 9-1-1 in an emergency.

"We are pleased that we are able to launch this service in Grosse Pointe Shores," said Chief Kenneth Werenski, Director of Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department. "Calling and speaking with a dispatcher is still the best way of reaching emergency services but that is not always an option."

Texting to 9-1-1 is a critical service that will benefit anyone who is not able to speak due to an emergency such as a home invasion or an abusive partner. It is also intended to help individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability. It can also be a benefit in areas where wireless service is limited.

"Please remember to **Call when you can; Text when you can't**", said Director Ken Werenski. There are a few important tips to remember when texting to 9-1-1. Send brief messages without using abbreviations or slang. Be prepared to communicate your exact location and the emergency help that is needed. Stay with your wireless device and be prepared to answer questions and follow instructions from the 9-1-1 dispatcher.

Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Dispatch has been working with Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC (PFN) to bring Next Generation 911 services to Grosse Pointe Shores. "We have worked closely with the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Dispatch to implement a system that is capable of supporting new technologies such as texting to 911" said Scott Randall, General Manager of Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC (PFN). "The 911 network is designed to be *fully redundant, resilient and survivable* as defined by the latest FCC guidelines."

Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC is a joint venture between Baraga Telephone Company in Baraga Michigan and Hiawatha Communications Incorporated in Munising Michigan. The company provides wholesale and retail transport services, voice and high-speed broadband internet transit throughout the Michigan and Wisconsin.

Kenneth V. Werenski  
Director of Public Safety





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## Merry Christmas Grosse Pointe Shores



Reminder to utilize the "Home Watch Program" this holiday season and report any suspicious activity to 9-1-1

Kenneth V. Werenski  
Director of Public Safety



# PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Due to leaves falling so late this fall

Leaf Pick is **extended** until Friday, December 10th

After December 10th all Yard Debris must be put into Brown Paper yard Waste



Shout out to our hard working DPW crew for their efforts in keeping up with the delayed leaf drop this year! The new street sweeper did a terrific job keeping the streets clean and accessible.



## Christmas Tree Disposal

Live Christmas Trees may be disposed of by placing them at the curb on your regular scheduled pick up day.

Please be sure to remove all lights and decorations.



**January 2022**

**Rubbish Collection returns to the normal schedule**



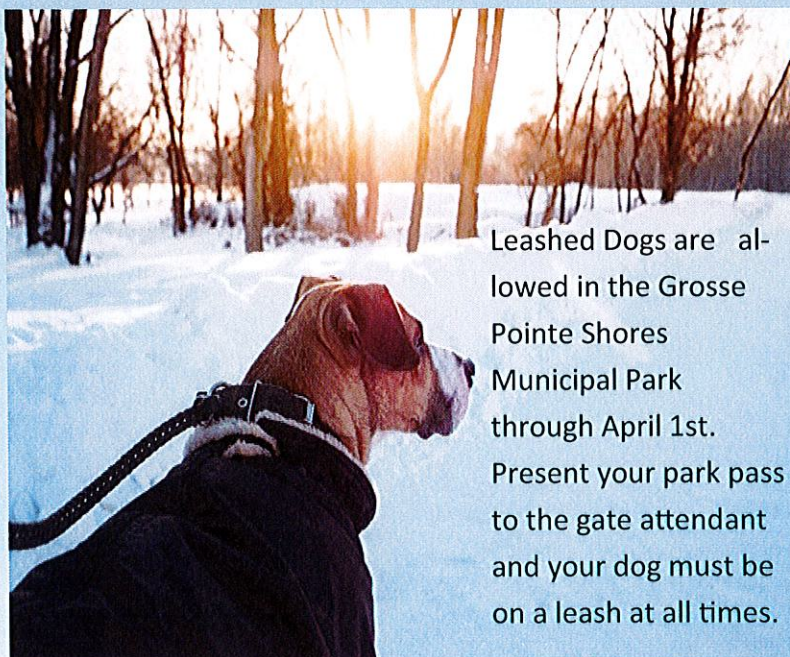


**THANK YOU TO OUR BOATERS FOR A GREAT SEASON!**

**BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR MAIL FOR RENEWAL LETTERS.**

**To resecure your well for next year - deposits need to be returned by December 15, 2021**

**Final Payments to be received by February 15, 2022**



Leashed Dogs are allowed in the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Park through April 1st. Present your park pass to the gate attendant and your dog must be on a leash at all times.



**Weather permitting Vernier Hill will be open for sledding**

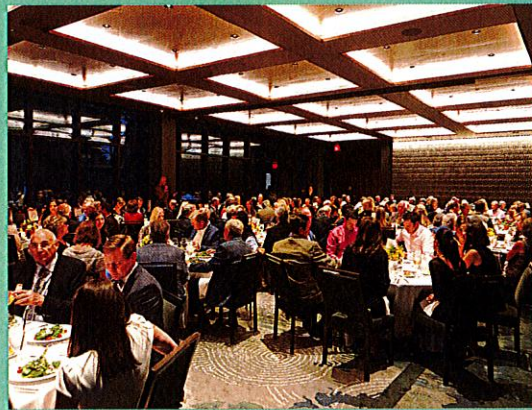
**Weekdays 3PM- Dusk &  
Weekends 10AM- Dusk**



# *Grosse Pointe Shores*

## IMPROVEMENT FOUNDATION

*Invites you to join in the fun!*



2022 Membership Drive is underway!

Details can be found @ [GPSIF.ORG](https://GPSIF.ORG) or by  
calling the Village Offices 881.6565



# GPS Telephone Directory

**City Administration: 881-6565**  
**Department of Public Safety: 881-5500**  
**Department of Public Works: 886-0020**  
**Municipal Park Gate: 884-7018**  
**Court Office: 881-5503**  
**Pool Office: 884-2305**



**Emergencies Only: 911**  
**TDD Unit 343-0666 (for the hearing impaired)**

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### GPS Administrative Office hours:

Monday—Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

DPW: Monday—Friday 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Public Safety: Open 24 Hours

Watch our monthly Council Meeting on our  
website [gpshoresmi.gov](http://gpshoresmi.gov)